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WATER-USERS HOLD MEETING

Secretary of Interior Appealed to In Protest Against Mandatory Payments.

A representative number of water users met at the Court House Saturday afternoon in response to the call issued by Hon. R. L. Douglass, president of the Water Users' Association, to consider the best method of relief for those of the project's water users who find it impossible to meet the water payments due now and payable at the latest on the 15th inst. Those in attendance at the meeting Saturday instructed the directors of the association to prepare and forward to the secretary of the interior an appeal protesting against the enforcement of the recent order making payments mandatory on or before the date mentioned, and stipulating that no action be taken by the secretary until a petition, already prepared by the project water users had been received and considered by him.

It develops that a large number of delinquencies exist among the project's water users. In looking about for the cause, it was considered good business by those present at Saturday's meeting to ask and work for the graduated payment plan, already in effect in several government projects. A committee appointed by the president of the association, composed of R. L. Douglass, Thomas Dolf, Mr. Taylor, and E. P. Osgood, called upon Project Engineer D. W. Cole, who readily acceded to the plan and gave it that they could use his name in the furtherance of the idea.

The graduated plan contemplates the payment of water rights in ten annual installments, as now, but beginning with a minimum sum and reaching the maximum only after the homebuilder has placed his farm unit on a self-sus-

FINE ATTRACTIONS ARE BOOKED

For Fallon for the Coming Season Through Lyceum Bureau ---A Guarantee Given.

Through the recent visit of Traveling Agent Lowe, of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, Fallon residents will be enabled during the coming season to enjoy the highest class theater attractions ever brought to town. Three attractions have been arranged for with the bureau, a guarantee having been extended through the efforts of Mr. Lowe. Those of the local citizens who occupy the roles of guarantors are I. H. Kent, Judge L. N. French, Dr. G. M. Gardner, A. C. Burton, D. E. Williams, W. C. Black and J. M. Smith.

The same plan will be followed regarding the disposition of all surplus monies as governed in former instances, the surplus reverting to the high school fund.

The Redpath Bureau promises the people of Fallon higher class attractions than were presented during the past winter, and the many local people, knowing the excellence of the late productions, will eagerly look forward to the coming events, which should appear to crowded houses in each instance.

taining basis.

In order that general action regarding delinquent water rights in the Truckee-Carson project shall be deferred pending the submission of evidence calculated to sustain the local contention for a graduated payment plan, it is urged by the water user's association that each water user prepare at once an appeal to the secretary stating the individual reasons why payments cannot be met. These appeals should not be addressed to the secretary of the interior, but to the Register and Receiver of the Carson City land office, from where they will be forwarded to Washington.

FIELD MEET FOR THE COUNTY

Will be Held at Fallon on April 20—List of Events for the Meet as Arranged.

During the teachers' institute at this place Mr. Fetter called a meeting of the teachers of Churchill county and put the question up to them whether it would not be a good thing to have a field meet for the pupils of the county. It was decided in the affirmative.

Prof. Abel appointed Messrs. Martin, Fetter and Wood to arrange the program and decide upon the date. This committee decided to hold the meet at Fallon, Saturday, April 20. There will be separate events for pupils whose weights are above 100 pounds and for those whose weights are less than 100 pounds.

The events are as follows: Shot put, polo vault, high jump, standing broad jump, running broad jump, 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 230-yard dash, 440-yard dash, half mile run and mile run, the latter for boys over 16.

Badges will be given to the winners of events, or a silver cup to the school winning the most points.

NIXON WILL HELP.

Will Do What He Can to Secure the Graduated Water Payments.

"WASHINGTON, March 4.

"R. L. Douglass, Fallon, Nev.

"Replying to your telegram, will do everything possible to have graduated scale water payments adopted. Advise me when petition to Secretary is mailed so I can take matter up in person.

"GEO. S. NIXON."

The celebrated Phoenix flour

at Burton's store.

Canadian Club Whiskey at The Bank.

CHURCHILL'S ANNUAL TAX LEVY

Made by Commissioners--The Taxes in County Lower and the Rate in Town Higher

The commissioners' board met Monday and yesterday with Chairman E. P. McLean and Long Term Commissioner C. F. Cirac present.

The sheriff's report for the month of February was received and ordered laid over.

Bids for the services of a telephone operator at Hazen were opened. F. T. Abbey of Hazen submitted an offer to perform the services for the remainder of the year for \$25 per month, and Mrs. H. I. Morton submitted a bid of \$65 for the same services. Mr. Abbey was given the award and has been notified to file his bonds.

The county auditor was ordered to transfer \$230.12 from the courthouse bond fund and \$4281.91 from the emergency fund to the general fund.

It was ordered that County Recorder F. F. Franke order a new index to the county deed records.

The annual tax levy was fixed by the board, the levy for general county and state purposes being reduced from \$2.32 to \$2.02. However, those who reside within Fallon will be required to pay a tax higher than last year, the disparity in last year's favor being represented by the figures of \$3.37 and \$4.27, though progressive citizens who believe in modern improvements will willingly stand the raise, for it represents the cost of the municipal improvements that are now being installed.

The 1912 tax levy is based upon the 1911 tax roll, which was \$3,600,000 in round numbers, though Assessor J. W. Sitton believes that he will have a \$4,000,000 roll this year for the first time in the county's history.

The levy as fixed by the board Monday is as follows:

Contingent	.....\$ .10
Indigent sick	....." .10
High school bond	....." .03
General school	....." .20
Jail bond	....." .01
Toll road bond	....." .03
Road and bridge bond	....." .05
Telephone building bond	....." .25
Fallon school district bond	....." .12
Wrightman district bond	....." .20
District No. 16 bond	....." .20
High school contingent	....." .40
General county	....." .30
Salary fund	....." .40
State	....." .60
Fallon water works bond	....." .85
Fallon sewer bond	....." .25
Fallon electric bond	....." .20
Fallon general fund	....." .70

The levy made this year for the salary fund is the first of the kind in the county's history, this fund only recently having been created. Formerly the county officials were forced to take pot luck out of the general fund, but now a separate fund will be maintained from which the county's workers will receive their pay.

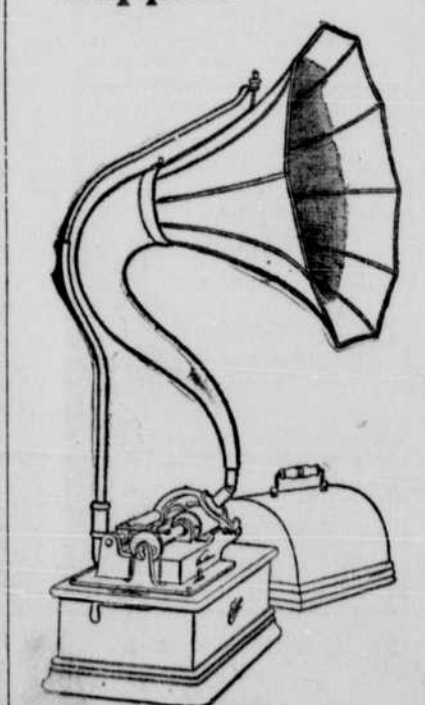
The telephone bond fund needed no apportionment by reason of the fact that it now contains a surplus sufficient to meet all indebtedness that will accrue during the present year.

We notice that no petition was filed, as required by law, asking that the city of Fallon be set apart as a separate road district, and as a result the municipality will be deprived of the use of the poll tax monies collected from the city's residents, which will under the present arrangement be diverted into the county road fund. It seems that someone of our local residents should have had sufficient public spirit and devotion to the local interests to have prepared and circulated such a petition, for the benefits that would have accrued would have been considerable.

The old reliable, genuine Rock Spring coal always on hand at Burton's coal yard.

An eight-foot seeder for sale; good as new. Benadum & Spreyer.

Victor, Edison and Columbia Talking Machines and all Supplies



For Sale Morris-Loring Co.

SUGAR STOCKHOLDERS MEET

And Elect Directors for the Year ---More Beet Acreage Must be Planted Here Else---

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Nevada Sugar Company was convened Monday and continued over to yesterday after a board of directors had been elected to serve throughout the ensuing fiscal year. Those who were placed on the board are: R. C. Bialy and C. R. Hawley, Bay City, Mich., capitalists; Thomas Dolf, I. H. Kent, C. B. Likes, H. E. Roe and Fred Hinze, of Fallon; F. M. Lee, of Reno and Henry W. Hinze, of Santa Ana, California.

The beet question was discussed at Monday's meeting and figures given out that are not altogether complimentary to the valley farmers of this project. Messrs. H. E. Roe and Fred Hinze, who have had charge of the campaign for beet acreage reported varying success. In the home district, which includes all the farming sections tributary to Fallon, but 434 acres were accounted good in Monday's reckoning, while the Lovelock section is credited with 880 acres and the Lassen county, California, farmers have responded with 215 acres with further prospects of increase to around 1500 acres. The liberal concessions made on freight rates from that section to Fallon has made it possible for the local factory officials to solicit beet acreage in that section. Mason valley farmers have signed up 50 acres, while those in the vicinity of Reno and Sparks have responded with but 29 acres; W. G. Douglass, former secretary of state, whose fine ranch on the shores of Washoe lake has been the admiration of many, has signed up 215 acres. Altogether 2079 acres have been signed up and inasmuch as it requires around 6000 acres to make a profitable campaign, there is still a discouraging disparity between what is desired and what is assured already by the farmers of the state who live within shipping radius of the local factory. The showing secured from the farmers of this project is particularly discouraging, but is more largely attributable to lack of transportation facilities than indifference to the factory's welfare.

The local factory is capable of handling the product of 10,000 acres in a single season, and could the Southern Pacific Company's officials be persuaded to building 20 miles of road divided between two spurs running east and south to serve the Stillwater and Island district farmers, it is believed that the maximum acreage could be secured without great difficulty.

Mr. R. C. Bialy, who has control of the stock of the corporation, made it plain that without more earnest attempts at co-operation on the part of the people of the valley—whose assistance should have been forthcoming long ago—the factory would be moved. He stated to this paper that he had been guaranteed the product of 6000 acres for a term of five years by the residents of a section in Michigan, and failing to pay here as a financial investment the Fallon factory would surely go there. But this is a contingency that will probably not arise, and present plans look towards the earliest development of the project as a local institution.

Mr. Bialy has been in touch with the chairman of the Polish immigration committee for some time, with the end in view of inducing 100 Polish families to locate in this valley and engage in sugar beet raising. This is the class that has done so much in the furtherance of the beet sugar industry in Michigan. The Poles are a thrifty class and make good citizens, according to Mr. Bialy, who stated that in his state they had been the chief factors in raising the land values from \$25 to \$100, with plenty to sell at the first figure a few years back and little at the latter figure now.

Looking at the local beet sugar situation through roseate glasses, Mr. Bialy stated that in his opinion there was not better land for the industry anywhere than in this state, that much Michigan capital, already made optimistic by gen-

FALLON GETS THE CONVENTION

Republicans Will Gather Here May 6—Fallon Must Now Prepare for Them.

Tom-toms are being placed in order; fireworks have been ordered; hotel menus are to be added to, and all the new drinks known to Delmonico's are being included in the local bartenders' list of beverages, for the Republican state convention will be held in Fallon on May 6th, at which time it is expected that something like 150 of the G. O. P. followers will be in this great irrigation center to do politics on the sly, elect a half dozen delegates to the national convention and as many alternates, and then proceed to view the many natural and man-made wonders that abound in this region.

Fallon was placed on the state political map at Reno Saturday when the Republican state committeemen selected it as the site of the first 1912 political matchmaking, albeit our town was considered so likely a place for political endeavor that there was hardly a protest, the vote being practically unanimous in favor of the plan to hold the convention here. Hon. W. W. Williams, one of the state committeemen—who, by the way, aspires to carry a Taft vote back to the national convention—first conceived the idea, and acting quickly on the suggestion a delegation of local business men, including Mayor G. E. Sherman, E. E. Winters, D. E. Williams, Chas. Everett, made the trip to the state's chief city and the nation's greatest divorce center and extended the glad hand on behalf of Fallon. The invitation was accepted without cavil, and now it is in order for all the local folks, Democrat and Republican alike, to work together in the extending of hospitality to the advocates of a high protective national tax, commonly called a tariff. In the meantime, marked cards for money solo games should not be overlooked.

Altogether 120 delegates will visit Fallon from other parts of the state, and this number augmented by the usual retinue of political dopesters will bring the number Fallon will be called upon to entertain to around 150. The presence of these delegates, who will be representative men from over the state, cannot help but bring much advertising to this section, and in turn their presence here will prove to be a revelation. Many old-timers will be in the crowd of delegates who will remember this section as the old Carson Sink of earlier times, when the few farms that lined the water-courses of the valley were confronted with water shortages and the time seemed not far distant when the development of the upper valley promised to either deprive them of their entire supply of the vitalizing fluid or involve them in a long-drawn-out lawsuit for the rights to the water. To these men the changed conditions will prove a revelation, indeed, and nothing should be left undone by local people that will add to the pleasure and convenience of the visiting delegates.

erous dividends from the industry, was looking hither for investment, and that the success of the Fallon factory would spell additional factories for this valley and other parts of the state.

It would seem that the success of the Fallon factory is now altogether up to railroad building. Either the Southern Pacific, the sugar officials or the citizenry of the valley must build a dozen or more miles of track towards Stillwater and six or eight miles into the Island district, or the machinery of the Nevada Sugar factory might as well be oiled, wrapped in burlap and left in charge of a caretaker. We believe the roads will be built, and that the Southern Pacific company will further ingratiate itself into the good favor of the interests of this valley by readily acceding to the factory's request for additional railroad that would serve the chief farming sections of the valley and could be constructed for a minimum of cost.

It is hoped that local co-operation can be had for the sugar factory by organization, and that the burden of campaign for acreage in this valley, at least, will then devolve upon the business and farming interests rather than upon the factory officials, as is now the case.

The largest and best display of horse blankets and lap-ropes ever brought to Fallon are now on sale at J. W. VANNOY. Quality and prices are right.

Story of the Island Ranch

IT IS a repetition of what has occurred in every section possessing resources where settlement has been invited. Substantial development, with consequent increment to the investor, has been the unvarying rule. When the idea of subdividing the 12,000 acre Island ranch, an old cattle estate, was first conceived and put into execution three years ago land values were about one-half what they are today; marvelously cheap, for today they are only a fraction of what lands of equal value command in selling figures elsewhere, which makes us know that the increment, though netting the early investors a handsome profit, have barely started. As time goes on, and settlement continues, homes are won out and the benefits that inure from thickly populated rural communities come to this great district, values will without a doubt reach the maximum figures commanded in other sections, where these processes were not so long delayed.

If ever a time for local land investment was propitious it is now, and the place is somewhere on the Island tract. Judges of good land uniformly place the stamp of approval on this district, where a wide range of products can be grown, from fruit to alfalfa and grain. As a sugar-beet producing district it is unsurpassed and is sure to contribute an ever-increasing tonnage to the great factory that was only recently completed here.

It has been determined that handsome profits can be had from small tracts farmed in a diversified manner. Successes are the rule, and failures, rather than being the exception, are unknown. When it is considered that investors from all walks of life have settled in the Island district and made successes, despite unfamiliarity with the working of soils, no other conclusion can be reached than that the Island district soil has real merit.

To enumerate the successes of the half hundred homebuilders who, with their families, now call this district home would make too long a story, though indeed it would interest any homeseeker. To obviate this, a list of the residents of the district, all of whom have had at least one season's experience on tracts of land varying from 40 acres to 150, is published below. They include ministers of the gospel, doctors, veterinary surgeons, school teachers, and people from all walks of life, and it has already been determined that success comes in equal measure to the farmer of experience and the man of aptitude who is willing to learn and follow the examples of those who have succeeded.

If you want to know more about the district write to any or all of the following persons, whose testimonials regarding the fertility of the soils of their farms, the perfection of the climate which favors this region, and its many natural advantages, form the basis of our claim that the Island district is destined for a development that will bring to many a handsome profit:

Anthony Huffaker	80	Scott Foster	80	C. L. Noble	80
James T. Da is	80	H. E. Giberson	80	Paul S. Orth	80
Bad Kinkadee	80	Lewis Hardy	160	Thomas Pillar	40
Mrs. S. E. Anderson	40	J. S. Hodges	80	C. I. Pontney	80
David Anderson	40	C. M. Hoover	80	Harry A. Pinger	160
Alfred M. Barton	80	B. S. Holmes	80	Leo Pinger	160
John W. Buhrlage	60	D. M. Field	80	Alexander Rose	160
Eugene W. Burr	80	C. M. Hicks	80	Dr. T. F. Richardson	80
John A. Bailey	160	Joseph Jarvis	160	J. W. Sitton	160
E. W. Black	80	Miss Anna Johnson	80	C. J. Sutherland	80
C. E. Bartlett	160	H. J. Kinkadee	80	Fred P. Strassberg	40
Calvada Co.	765	E. L. McKay	80	Jos. C. Sparks	120
Comstock Land Co.	70	W. B. Moore	80	Mrs. J. W. Schaub	80
Sumner Clark, Jr.	160	Thos. A. Moore	20	Miss Eleanor A. Tobie	40
Stephen J. Coatsney	40	Mrs. Eliza D. Merritt	160	Edward F. Vanator	80
Geo. C. Coverston	40	J. W. Merritt	80	M. L. Wildes	160
T. V. Conner	80	Thos. A. Merritt	80	F. L. Wildes	160